## **Why Access Management?**

The future of S.H. 44 depends on how access is managed.

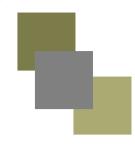
The term "access management" describes a set of design techniques that state and local governments use to control access to highways, major arterials and other roadways. These techniques are designed to increase the capacity of roads, manage congestion and reduce crashes. Examples of access management include:

- Increasing space between access points on the corridor, including driveways
- Use of turn lanes
- Parallel collector roads (frontage and backage roads)
- Median barriers





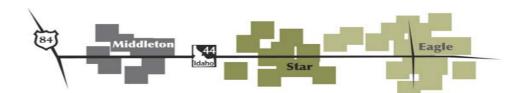
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### **Benefits of Access Management:**

- Smoothes traffic flow
- Reduces crashes
- Provides a larger market area for businesses
- Shorter commute times to work and school
- Reduces fuel use and emissions





#### PARALLEL COLLECTOR ROADS

(frontage or backage)

#### Advantages

- Fewer delays
- Fewer crashes
- Can be built as development occurs
- Easier short trip travel without using S.H. 44

#### Challenges

- Less convenient access to S.H. 44
- Dependent on development and good planning
- May be difficult because of existing development
- Additional cost beyond highway improvements









## **Access Management**



A good local road system is key to the success of access management.

Land use and the road system should keep local trips on the local system.





# **Advantages and Challenges** of Access Management

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